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Amendments to the Drawings

Figures 3 and 4: The *tert*-butyl(dimethyl)silyl group has not been drawn out, but has been represented by the standard acronym TBDMS to be consistent with the other Figures.

Figure 5 has been split into Figures 5a and 5b.

Figure 6a: The carboxylic acid group has not been drawn out for compound 34; the counter anion, MePhSO_3^- , for compound 168 is a tosylate anion and has been represented using the standard abbreviation TsO^- . The conversion of compound 175 to compound 176 to compound 177 from Figure 6b has been added to Figure 6a.

Figure 6b: The conversion of compound 175 to compound 176 to compound 177 has been moved to Figure 6a.

Figure 7: The error in compound 59 has been corrected from " CO_2Cl " to " COCl ".

Figure 9: The *tert*-butyl(dimethyl)silyl group has not been drawn out, but has been represented by the standard acronym TBDMS to be consistent with the other Figures.

Figure 12a: The ester groups in compounds 207, 208 and 209 have not been drawn out; similarly, the carboxylic acid group for compound 210 has not been drawn out.

Figure 12b: The missing oxygen atoms in the dimer bridge linker have been added for compounds 217 and 218.

Figure 14: The benzyl group for compound 6 has not been drawn out, but abbreviated to "Bn" for consistency with other compounds in this Figure.

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Figure 15: The missing nitrogen atom in the pyrrole rings of compounds 86, 87 and 88 has been added; carboxylic acid and ester groups are no longer drawn out for compounds 81 to 85; "CH₃" is abbreviated as "Me".

Figure 16: The carboxylic acid group has not been drawn out for compound 91; "CH₃" is abbreviated as "Me".

Figure 17: For compounds 97 to 101, "CH₃" is abbreviated as "Me" and the bond is now correctly drawn to the oxygen atom.

Figure 18: For compounds 102 to 105, "CH₃" is abbreviated as "Me"; the "CH₂OH" group has been drawn out on the pyrrole compounds.

Figure 19: The carboxylic acid groups have not been drawn out for compounds 107 and 108.

Figure 20: The carboxylic acid and ester groups have not been drawn out for compounds 114 and 115.

Figure 22: For compounds 131 and 132 "COOH" is written as "CO₂H"; "CH₃" groups have also been abbreviated to "Me".

Figure 23: For all the compounds in this Figure, the benzyl group has not been drawn out and has been abbreviated using the standard abbreviation "Bn".

Figure 24: The carboxylic acid groups have not been drawn out for compounds 144 and 145; the "CH₂OH" group has been drawn out on the pyrrole compounds.

Figure 25: The carboxylic acid and ester groups have not been drawn out for compounds 186 to 189.

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Figure 26: The ester groups have not been drawn out for compounds 197 to 200.

Figure 27: "CH₃" groups have also been abbreviated to "Me" and "COOH" is written as "CO₂H".

Figure 28: "CH₃" groups have also been abbreviated to "Me" and "COOH" is written as "CO₂H".

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Remarks

Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added with the above amendments. FIGS. 3, 4, 6a, 9, 12a, 14-20 and 22-28 now denote the organic functional groups with standard abbreviations and nomenclature. For example, CH₃ is now denoted as Me; COOH is now CO₂H; *tert*-butyl(dimethyl)silyl is now TBDMS; MePhSO₃⁻ is now TsO⁻; and benzyl groups are now denoted as Bn. Applicants submit that these changes to FIGS. 3, 4, 6a, 9, 12a, 14-20 and 22-28 do not change the content or meaning of the figures in any way.

FIG. 5 has been split into FIGS. 5a and 5b.

FIG. 7 has been amended to correct a clerical error in compound 59. Applicants respectfully submit that support for this amendment can be found in the specification at page 90, lines 25-30, in Example 2(a). FIG. 12b has been amended to correct a clerical error in compounds 217 and 218. Support for this amendment can be found in the specification at page 20, lines 26-29, and page 121, lines 21-23, in Example 2(c). FIG. 15 has been amended to correct a clerical error in compounds 86, 87 and 88. Support for this amendment can be found in the specification at page 133, lines 19-20, page 134, lines 2-3, and page 134, lines 17-19, in Example 3(a).

Replacement sheets for FIGS. 1-32 are attached hereto.

Claim 29 has been amended to correct a clerical error in one of the substituents.

The specification has been amended to properly reflect the split of FIG. 5 into FIGS. 5a and 5b.

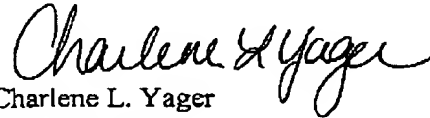
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Conclusion

Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of the claims on December 27, 2004. Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendments and earnestly solicit a Notice of Allowance.

Should any questions remain with respect to the Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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